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## THE LEGISLATURE.

The Bills Providing for Private Executions and for the Relief of Soldiers Passed.

Third Reading in the House—The Fifty-and-Three Bill Signed by the Governor.

Special to the Appeal. Nashville, March 20.—The governor today signed the bill for the settlement of the State debt at fifty-and-three.

No appointment has yet been made for the criminal judgment of Shelby county.

THE LEGISLATURE. THE BILL PROVIDING FOR PRIVATE EXECUTIONS PASSED—THE FIFTY-AND-THREE BILL SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

Special to the Appeal. Nashville, March 20.—Senate.—New Bill.

By Mr. DAWSON: To change the line between the counties of Blount and Loudon.

By Mr. PORTER: Director to the inspectors of the State prison.

By Mr. DAWSON: To empower the city of Nashville to issue bonds and appropriate money, not exceeding \$30,000, for the purpose of parks.

The Senate joint resolution to adjourn March 25th was passed unanimously.

The vote rejecting the bill to authorize taxing districts to build workhouses was authorized, and the bill passed on its final reading.

The bill for the benefit of the paper in case of the State was taken up on its third reading, and passed over informally in order to allow the committee time to report.

A Senate joint resolution was introduced by Mr. CHAMBERLAIN, introducing the attorney-general to bring suit against the East Tennessee, Virginia and Knoxville and Kentucky railroads, for the recovery of bonds issued by the State to the Mineral House Railroad Company, and which were paid into the treasury in violation of law, the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad paying \$35,000, and the Knoxville and Kentucky railroad \$10,000.

Mr. CHAMBERLAIN moved for adjournment, the attorney-general to bring suit against all parties, cities and corporations whatever as he may deem proper for the recovery of the money due the State. Adopted.

The bill was then passed on its final reading.

The House bill to provide for the death penalty in private was taken up. The bill provides that the sheriff, minister, family of the condemned, and all other persons connected with the execution, shall be held responsible for the execution of the bill, and shall be liable for the same.

The bill passed its first reading.

The six persons mentioned above as entitled by the sheriff to witness the execution are intended to exclude members of the press. It also provides that the prison walls shall be high, so as to obstruct all outside view.

The bill to repeal section 8 of an act to establish taxing districts, and providing for the government of the same, was taken up.

The Senate bill to amend the school law by striking out county superintendents and abolishing that office was taken up.

The following Senate bills on third reading were rejected: For the relief of J. W. Wirt, A. A. Helton & Co., and C. W. Shipman, of Wayne county, who had given bonds to the State.

A motion to reconsider was introduced.

The bill to require sheriffs and other returning officers to forward election returns was passed.

This bill makes it a misdemeanor to deliver sealed returns in person.

The bill to make the drawing of a return with malicious intent a felony for want of a constitutional intent.

The bill to prevent the marriage of minors without the written consent of their parents was rejected.

Mr. Keith offered a resolution authorizing the exercise of property for a site for the penitentiary. Laid over.

The bill in reference to the Torbett issue was made the special order for 10 o'clock a.m., to-morrow.

HOUSE.

Mr. Hale called up a bill to amend the act passed February 23, 1883, so as to confine its provisions to the Taxing District of Memphis.

There has been considerable alarm on account of the passage of this act, as the provisions would, as intended, be confined to Tennessee, who fought in the army of the late Confederacy, and lost their eyes while in the army, was taken up. This bill provides for a pension of \$10 a month, commencing with January 1, 1883. This bill, by an amendment, also includes Federal soldiers who are not pensioned by the United States government. The bill passed third reading, 30 yeas, 20 nays.

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The bill by Mr. Taylor, to authorize the city of Nashville to issue bonds for the purpose of a park in some central portion of the city, passed first reading.

The Railroad Commission bill occupied almost the entire time of the session of the House to-day. The Barnes bill was taken up for forty-four to forty-seven. The cause bill will never pass unless modified.

Mr. Wendell entered the protest of the Memphis merchants against the cause bill, in favor of the advisory bill. It is also thought that the cause bill will not pass unless the routes and competing roads have a fair chance.

LOUQUE TO KELLY.

LETTER OF CONGRATULATION ON HIS IRISH RESOLUTION.

Nashville, March 20.—Following is a letter received by Rev. Mr. Kelly, of Shelby county, yesterday:

Dear Sir:—I beg to thank you for the letter of the 19th inst., in relation to the proposed resolution of the Irish League, and for the kind words which you have so graciously bestowed upon me.

I have ever been a warm friend of the Irish cause, and I am glad to see that the Irish League is so successful in its efforts to secure the rights of the Irish people.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant, J. W. Wirt.

## PARLOR SOLDIERS.

What the Army and Navy Lobby Has Done to Accomplish in the Way of Legislation.

Tom Ochiltree and the President—Tariff Agitation—The Signal Service—Pensions.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Secretary Foster's destination is Fort Monroe, where he will remain several days for rest and recuperation. When he returns, he will be ready to take up his duties as secretary of the War Department.

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MR. CONCORAN.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE MILLIONAIRE PHILANTHROPE.

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